

MANUREWA CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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2 September Name.....

Kia ora, Malo e le lei, Talofa, Ni hao, Namaste, Bula, Kia orana, Mauri, Greetings.

A special thank you to everyone who contributed to this year's General Knowledge-a-thon. The total raised has reached a generous \$11,500.00.

This is a wonderful result and we are all appreciative of the continued support our families have shown once again. Thank you to our parent helpers who gave up their time to collect this money in the school library.

Our Board Chairperson, Mr Chris Ward, again joins me in saying a personal thank you to everyone for your donation. These are difficult times financially for everyone and this makes the total raised extra special.

Our locally raised funds are used to improve equipment and resources especially in the arts and physical education. Everyone who is fortunate enough to see our students' art work, dance and sporting skill will appreciate the high quality that is possible by our skilled teachers coupled with your support. Thank you very much indeed.

ICAS RESULTS

We have received results of the spelling competition run by the University of New South Wales. Well done to everyone with special congratulations to the following students.

High Distinction (Top 1% of NZ students)

Year 5 Aaron Lew, Aimee Lew.
Year 6 Monisha Narayan

Distinction (Top 10% of NZ students)

Year 5 Aayah Al-Abri, Jaydah Croft,
Hannah McCarthy.
Year 6 Tyler Bowden, Sonatane Kaufusi

Credit (Top 30% of NZ students)

Year 5 John Chen, Navneet Dhaliwal,
Kervin Guttenbeil, Moishna
Moeen, Faith Taelangi,
Hosea Vaisagote,
Isabella van Stipriaan.

Year 6 Hanson Chong, Lyric Hemara,
Bridget Ong, Long Pham Ngoc,
Yogita Sharma, Luke Stainthorpe,
Benjamin Tse, Hannah Wallis.

2012 ENROLMENTS

Manurewa Central has an enrolment scheme that has been put in place by the Ministry of Education in order to reduce overcrowding in classrooms.

The enrolment scheme is administered by the Board of Trustees according to strict government regulations. Part of this process involves a ballot for places when there is a shortage of space for all those wishing to enrol. The Ministry of Education has set the first ballot day for 2012 for Tuesday, 4 October 2011. **The application closing day for this ballot is Tuesday, 27 September 2011.**

Children who are currently enrolled do not have to reapply. However, younger brothers and sisters of current students who live out of zone must make application.

If this applies to your family please call at the school office and complete a form as soon as possible. This is very important as younger siblings who are not in the ballot are unlikely to be enrolled when they turn five. The Ministry of Education is very strict on this matter.

Once your four year old sibling is in the ballot he/she will have a priority placement.

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRES

Every two years we distribute a parent questionnaire asking your opinion about various aspects of our school.

This year's questionnaire will come home next week. Please take time to let us know what you think. This is an important part of our planning and we are interested in your comments and suggestions. We would like the questionnaires returned by Friday, 23 September please.

A ROAD SAFETY MESSAGE

Earlier this week a flyer went out with all our pupils urging families to model safe practices related to road safety to their children. From that flyer you will understand we have had an accident on Great South Road a short distance away from the traffic lights. This is a second occurrence for our school.

Parents, PLEASE understand the importance of modelling appropriately to your children. In due course the police will give us advice for further consideration to help children be safe around our school.

UPDATED EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

The school is presently updating all parental contact details for our use should a child be injured or unwell at school. It is vitally important that instant contact with families can be made at such times. Please check the sheet that has come home with your child, update it appropriately or simply return it to us if changes are not necessary. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

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IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

- 9 Student Files of Work home (Yrs 3-6)
- 9 "Black Out Day" to celebrate Rugby World Cup.
- 13 Board of Trustees' meeting 6.30pm.
- 19-21 Education Review Office assessing school effectiveness.
- 23 Next newsletter
- 27 Ballot for out of zone enrolments for 2012 closes.

Term 3 finishes on 7 October. Term 4 is from 25 October (Tuesday) to Thursday 15 December.

Welcome

To pupils who have joined us recently
Michael Holden Whiu, Kayla King, Zara Smith, Shawneqwa Pemberton.

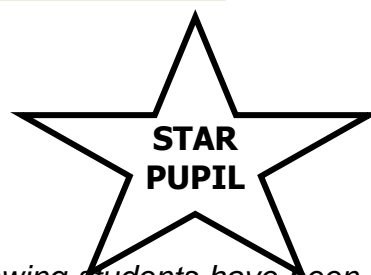
Happy Birthday

To people who have a special day about now.



SEPTEMBER

3 Clayton Kea	4 Joshua Sila
6 Joshua Mei	6 Phoenix Tobeck
9 Adam Baker	10 Kaiila Stanley
10 Zane Walker Prujean	11 Tanveer Bhatti
11 Sister Tonga-Ngatai	12 Gracie Bruce
12 Hosea Vaisagote	13 Robin Dhaliwal
13 Amanda Johnson	13 Kirstie Scotson
14 Rohan Chand	14 Nikhil Kumar
14 Methila Rahman	15 Helen Asiata
15 Charlize Nicholson	16 Brooke Dalton-Shine
16 Trizon Uatisone	16 Bradley Wingfield
17 Jasmine Rota-Leggan	18 Daniel Tovio
20 Kahn Collins	20 Jak Richards
21 Renee Alexander	22 Divya Prasad
22 Okusitino Tuipulotu	23 Skye Collins
23 Sinead Miller	



The following students have been recognised by their class teachers for showing diligence and achievement in all aspects of their school and classwork.

R1 Anaru Thomson	R2 Cody Puru
R3 Gaurav Sahota	R4 Phoenix Tobeck
R5 Jonti-Armani Graham	R6 Kasanita Langi
R7 Ella Lupan	R8 Jamiel Te Wharau
R9 Dylan Taufua	R10 Lauryn Conlogue
R11 Jasroop Gill	R12 Angeline Ball
R13 Christian Lilo	R14 Jack Yarrall
R15 Moishna Moeen	R16 Patrick Aishow
R17 Shivanshu Sharma	R18 Linda Du
R19 Rameka Maynard	R20 Jeremy Bayaban
R21 Chelsea Tang	R23 Jason Chen
R24 Brendon Tse	

ROOM NEWS

ROOM 1

Cream and salt were in the jar. I put a marble in the jar and shook it. I put milk in with the cream and it turned into butter. It looked like dough. The biscuit was round. I tasted the butter on the biscuit. It was yum.

Brock Jenkins

We made butter. We put salt in with the cream. We shook the jar and it turned orange. It was butter. We ate the butter on biscuits. It was awesome.

Michael Holden-Whiu

ROOM 3

We have been learning lots of interesting facts about food. Room 3 children are healthy kiwis because we follow the rules of food safety. The four important c's – clean, cook, cover and chill our food.

ROOM 5

The polar blast brought snow and hail to many parts of New Zealand. We discussed this and looked at photographs and pictures from the newspaper. We learned how to write poems. These poems about the polar blast are published and framed and on display in our cloakbay. Come and read them. At last our cat pictures are finished. They were a lot of work, but they look fantastic. Another reason to come and visit Room 5.

ROOM 7

Room 7 has enjoyed folk dancing and are sad that it has finished. The year two children had a fabulous time at the folk dancing festival with most of us performing a sasa for the other schools. We are lucky that Nerissa's dad was able to help us. We are now all looking forward to the Rugby World Cup and are confident the All Blacks are the best.

ROOM 9

Last week Room 9 went to Room 22 for 2 days because the builders were fixing our ceiling. Our new ceiling looks fabulous. We are painting elephants. It is taking a long time because painting is difficult. To make elephant grey we had to mix white and black. To make green we mixed blue and yellow. They are nearly finished and look amazing. We have also written letters to our buddy class at Halsey Drive School.

ROOM 11

Last week we went to Howick Historical Village. We had lots of fun there and we made bread and butter the old-fashioned way. We all took turns to mix and churn!

We have also been looking at preservatives and additives in foods and what their codes mean. We learnt that flavour enhancer 621 is monosodium glutamate and it can be toxic and cause cancer in some people.

Did you know

- Preservatives are added to make food last longer?
- Additives are added to make food taste better and look more colourful?

We are now making better food choices!

Dilraj Maan and Jasroop Gill

ROOM 13

On 26 August three classes went to the Howick Historical Village. We had four activities to do.

The first one was butter making. We had to say a rhyme as we churned the cream into butter. It took a long time for the cream to turn into butter. Once the cream was thick and yellow a cloth was put over the container to drain off the buttermilk. We used the buttermilk later to make bread. Once the butter was drained it was washed with clean water and then the salt had to be added. We tasted the butter. It was put on a cracker for us to eat. Making the bread was easy. We all had a turn to put the ingredients into the clay bowl. Then we mixed the ingredients all together and added the buttermilk. It was put in a dish and then into the oven to cook.

Our other two activities were the court house and parlour games. Aimee was the judge in the court house and she fined a person 18 shillings. The parlour games were fun but noisy.

Once we were back at school we all had a taste of our bread and butter. It was delicious.

Jasmin Singh

ROOM 15

Have you ever wondered how early settlers lived back in early Auckland? The senior school has recently been to Howick Historical Village. We acted out a court trial that had actually happened in the exact courthouse we were in many years ago. Do you know what parlour games are? Well, they are games that you would play in a parlour on special

occasions. No one would go into the parlour very often except for special things. We also made bread and butter, which we got to eat. YUM! We enjoyed exploring around all the different cottages and they were fascinating. It showed just how much life has changed over many years.
Jaydah

ROOM 17

How much do you know about the food you eat? In Room 17 we have learnt about how many foods are processed. It is amazing how many things are added to some foods. We don't even know what we are eating sometimes! Our favourite thing this term was the middle school talent quest. There were some amazing performances. Two people in our class did an Indian dance and four of us sang. It was so much fun!

ROOM 19

What talent we have in the middle school. Last Friday we watched singers and dancers perform in front of an enthusiastic audience. We have also been enjoying speeches in our class. We are learning to project our voices, use expression and speak clearly and expressively.

On Tuesday we made our own bread, butter and lemon honey. The finished products were delicious. We have really enjoyed our "Food, glorious food" unit, and many of us have become really confident cooks. It is great to eat tasty food but we need to make sure that what we eat is healthy too.

ROOM 21

Our class has been learning about FOOD! We have been researching the food groups and how they are good for us.

Room 21 has made a healthy sandwich with lots of protein and carbohydrates. The carbohydrates that we used were bread and tomato. The proteins that we used were chicken, ham and tuna. We also used some fats and oils which were butter and salad dressing.

Recently we have made bread and butter. We made the butter by shaking a bottle filled with cream.

Every Friday Room 21 goes to Room 16 to

learn how to do the sasa. The sasa is a Samoan clap dance. We all have our own group. Our teacher, Mrs Armitage, has taught us what to do. Each group had to make our own sasa. It was a lot of fun!

Finally, last Friday, the middle school had a talent quest. The contestants were amazing! Some of the boys in Room 21 performed a hip hop dance! Also, Kirstie sang a song called 'Someone Like You'. *Kirstie and Maddison*

ROOM 23

This week has been special because Miss Kendall came back from her overseas trip. Room 23 children had made a special sign that said welcome back. The food topic has been really interesting. Last week the children made jelly, ice cream, bread and butter. How exciting!

STORYLINES' FESTIVAL

On Sunday, 28 August a group of Manurewa Central School children went to the Aotea Centre for the Storylines' Festival dedicated to reading and books. There were a lot of fun activities there such as face-painting, badge-making and story-telling. Famous authors such as our very own Clare Scott, Lucy Davey and Joy Cowley were there. You could see illustrators working and authors reading. There was also a special performance of Margaret Mahy's stories at the Civic Centre. I especially liked the badge-making as you could design your own. The festival started at 10am and ended at 3pm. We were lucky enough to have a free bus to take us. It was a wonderful day. We would like to thank Mrs Brown, Ms Brodien, Miss Ihaka, Mrs Hall and Miss Farrelly for giving up their Sunday to come with us and also to thank the parents who accompanied us.

Aimee Lew

Community Notices

Have you ever thought about trying tennis? Jellicoe Park Tennis Club is taking junior enrolments on Friday 16 or 23 September, from 4.30pm to 6pm at the clubrooms, Marr Road, Manurewa. All welcome. Any enquiries please phone Noreen 09 266 7399 or mobile 021 120 1672.